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FROM PAKISTAN REFUGEE COORDINATOR WEISZ

0. 12065: GDS 4/30/88 (BECK, KARL S.) OR-D

TGS: SREF, SHU, PK, UNHCR

SUBJECT: PAKISTAN REFUGEE COORDINATOR'S CONSULTATIONS  
IN GENEVA

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2. PAKISTAN REFUGEE COORDINATOR WEISZ APRIL 30 COMPLETED  
ONE AND A HALF DAYS CONSULTATIONS IN GENEVA WITH INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION AND MISSION OFFICIALS. FOLLOWING  
FROM CONVERSATIONS WITH INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION  
OFFICIALS MAY BE OF INTEREST TO THE DEPARTMENT.

3. THAT THE UNHCR HAD MADE A POLICY DECISION EARLIER  
THE YEAR TO TERMINATE RELIEF IN 1982 FOR ALL THOSE  
AFGHANS NOT LIVING IN CAMPS. EXCEPT SOME 100,000 "FREE-  
LIVERS" IN THE TRIBAL AREAS OF THE NORTH-WEST FRONTIER  
PROVINCE. WHO PUT THE COST PER 100,000 AT  
\$5.5 MILLION (\$500,000 FOR SUPPLEMENTARY FOOD AID,  
\$5,000,000 FOR WFP FOOD). WAS NOT ABLE TO SAY PRECISELY  
WHEN IN 1982 RELIEF FOR SUCH "FREE-LIVERS" WOULD BE  
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TERMINATED. HE INDICATED THAT THE UNHCR'S DECISION HAD  
BEEN MADE BEFORE THE UNHCR/EEC TEAM HAD VISITED PAKISTAN  
AND MADE THIS RECOMMENDATION.

4. STATED THAT THE GOP HAD REVISED ITS  
ESTIMATE OF THE NUMBER OF REFUGEES UP TO 2.7 MILLION  
(WITH NO BREAKDOWN BETWEEN THOSE IN CAMPS AND "FREE-  
LIVERS"). EXPRESSING SOME DOUBT ABOUT THE ACCURACY OF  
THE FIGURE. HE SAID THAT RATHER THAN DISPUTING THE NUMBER,  
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PERHAPS IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO SETTLE ON A NUMBER -- E.G.,  
2.2 MILLION -- UNHCR WOULD AID.

5. REITERATED TO WEISZ UNHCR'S LACK OF ENTHUSIASM FOR FUNDING SALARIES AND INLAND TRANSPORT, CITING A TRADITION OF FUNDING SALARIES ONLY IN THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND A TRADITION AGAINST FUNDING INLAND TRANSPORT IN GENERAL. INDICATED THAT UNHCR WOULD CONTINUE TO SEEK DONOR WILLING TO FUND THESE ITEMS BILATERALLY.

7. ICM REFUGEE SECTION CHIEF JARRELL RELATED THAT ICM  
HAS NOT YET DECIDED WHETHER TO ESTABLISH AN OFFICE IN  
ISLAMABAD, STATING THAT SUCH A DECISION WOULD DEPEND  
UPON THE VOLUME OF CASES. THE TASKS ICM OFFICE MIGHT  
PERFORM, AND EASE WITH WHICH TRAFFIC CAN BE HANDLED FROM  
BANGKOK.

SAID THAT HE EXPECTED FAVORABLE DECISION FROM DRA/SOVIETS  
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\*\*\*IN THREE OR FOUR WEEKS REGARDING STATIONING OF ICRC REP  
 \*\*\*IN KABUL.  
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